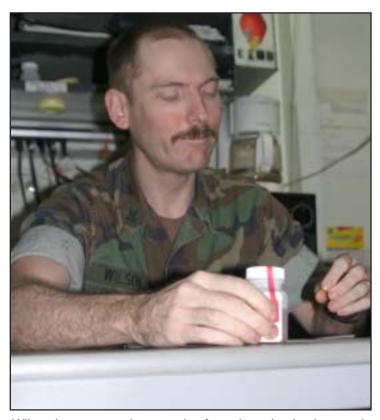


Carl Vinson / CVW-9 Sailor of the Day **MA2 Christopher Wilson**



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Wilson inspects a urine sample after prior to boxing it up and mailing it to the Navy drug laboratory in San Diego.

MA3 finishes up the paperwork on a urine sample, and guarantees everything was done correctly. Wilson is responsible for ensuring the urinalysis testing for all of Carl Vinson staff.



Everyone aboard Carl Vinson must do his part to ensure that the "Gold Eagle" completes its mission. In order to do this successfully and safely, all Sailors must be drug free.

Today's Sailor of the Day, MA2 Christopher Wilson plays a huge role in ensuring that Carl Vinson Sailors are not on any illegal substances. He is L-3 divisions command urinalysis coordinator and with the help of his assistant, MM1(SW/AW) Jon Koppari, collected 7,149 urine specimens in 2004 and 2,084 so far this year.

"I have a large responsibility for the command," said Wilson. "I help to ensure the safety of the crew, by protecting them from people who don't follow the Navy drug free policy."

Carl Vinson provides urinalysis tests to 20-percent of the crew or about 600 personnel, monthly. Wilson must guarantee that all tests needing to be done are carried out, as well as ship the specimens to the Navy drug laboratory in San Diego.

If a specimen tests positive, Wilson recieves a message from the drug lab and turns them into the Legal Department. Then the legal processes begins for the individual who violated the drug screening policy.

"MA2 is the most meticulous person I've ever met," said MAC(SW/AW) Jennifer Sayler, L-3 division's LCPO. "It serves him well in the job that he holds."

This Boise, Id., native re-enlisted for six years in November 2004. He intends to finish out his twenty and hopefully retire as a chief. In his down time, Wilson enjoys going to rodeos and anything involving the outdoors such as camping and fishing.



Collecting a sample from MA2(SW) Pedro Rodriguez, the command investigator, Wilson verifies every step is comleted properly. Rodriguez was taking a required urine test after returning from investigator school.



